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Examiner: Kimberly A. BALLARD  
Art Unit: 1649  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers (copy attached) dated June 7, 2007, regarding Drawing Deficiencies, Applicants would like to bring the following to the Patent Office's attention.

On May 24, 2007, a submission of Formal Drawings was filed. See the attached copy of the Transmittal of Formal Drawings, which contains the U.S. PTO OIPE stamp, showing receipt of the Formal Drawings. Therefore, the attached Notice to file Corrected Application Papers is invalid, and all outstanding informalities in the above mentioned patent application, which are stated in the Notice have been corrected.

Although Applicant believes that no fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-0741, and credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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ATTENTION: DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

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Transmitted herewith are the formal replacement drawings (6 sheets, Figures 1-6) for the above-identified application. The Official Draftsperson is respectfully requested to approve these drawings for entry into the application.

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### *Notice of Allowance Mailed*

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 60 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. If the informality pertains to the abstract, specification (including claims) or drawings, the informality must be corrected with an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 (or, if the application is a reissue application, 37 CFR 1.173). Such an amendment may be filed after payment of the issue fee if limited to correction of informalities noted herein. See Waiver of 37 CFR 1.312 for Documents Required by the Office of Patent Publication, 1280 Off. Gaz. Patent Office 918 (March 23, 2004). In addition, if the informality is not corrected until after payment of the issue fee, for purposes of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(iv), "all outstanding requirements" will be considered to have been satisfied when the informality has been corrected. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. **This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

See attachment.

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